

The Wheat Problem

Not for the first time has it been said that a more intensive development of the natural resources, other than those of the top six inches of the soil in the three prairie provinces should be prosecuted, as an aid to their chief industry—agriculture.

World markets for export wheat gradually restricting instead of expanding, and the sharp decline in price with the extension of wheat growing areas in this and other countries in recent decades, farmers themselves have come to the conclusion that bountiful yields are more likely to prove embarrassing than a solution to the grain growers' problem, unless some agreement can be reached between the exporting countries to curtail production, directly or indirectly.

It seems probable at this date, no export quota agreement can be made effective as between the big four exporting countries, the problem of the wheat growers in Western Canada will have to be attacked on some other basis. The shorter, the better, but a minimum guaranteed fixed price, guaranteed by farmers as long as it should be to ensure maintenance of a good standard of living, estimates place the loss to the country as a whole at a very substantial figure.

If the farmers' conclusions are correct, and it would be difficult to refute them, it is clear that had the minimum guaranteed fixed price been set at an adequate figure, the subsidy which the Dominion would have been called upon to pay would have been very much greater and, if existing world demand continues on the present day plane, possibly beyond the ability of the country to finance over a period of years and more so would this be the case in view of heavy yields which would tend to further depress prices in the open market.

Under such circumstances it might be difficult to persuade any government to pursue a permanent guaranteed price policy at a figure adequate to ensure to the farmers a standard of living to which they have been accustomed in the pre-depression era.

Many Solutions Offered

Faced with these possibilities, it would appear to be the part of wisdom for the prairie government, the federal government and the farmers themselves to canvass the possibility of placing Western agriculture on a less precarious basis and to seek in other directions a more or less permanent solution of the problem; in other words, to determine what policies may be devised to enable agriculture in Western Canada to stand on its own feet, and to remain independent for any length of time on an independent price fixing policy.

Many solutions to the problem have been offered by experts and some who perhaps do not fall within that category. They include greater diversification, greater per capita production, better marketing, better markets, both at home and abroad, and a minimum guaranteed fixed price, or a minimum guaranteed fixed price for certain products, such as for wheat, for which there is a demand, and for which no better market might be found, campaigns to encourage greater consumption of Canadian wheat in existing customer countries, curtailment of production by agreement or otherwise and expansion of home markets through more intensive and progressive development of other resources of the western prairies.

If efforts are to be made to place Western agriculture on a self-sustaining basis and this, it must be agreed, is the most desirable objective if possible of attainment, it may be safely said that no single one of the panaceas above enumerated will serve the purpose. Rather, the objective is more likely to be achieved by a combination of several of them.

Would Aid Solution

Perhaps more than any other one factor, however, that would do much to bring Western agriculture more nearly to a self-sustaining basis, would be a speeding up of the development of the resources of the country, other than the land itself.

It seems almost superfluous to point out that all three prairie provinces are richly endowed with potentially valuable resources of great extent, and of many kinds, and often of great value. They include not only such well known ones as timber, coal and fur bearing animals, but oil, minerals, including both precious and base metals, as well as the lesser known, and more humble chemical deposits, clays, pigments, etc.

If a drive were to be made to develop these resources and market them on a greater scale than hitherto, the result would be a development of wider domestic markets for local agricultural produce and a step forward would be made in solving the twin agricultural and unemployment problems.

Predicts Wet Year

Man in Wisconsin Bases His Forecast on Layers of Olson

The word from Joe Ott, weather reporter of The Register, Wisconsin, who bases his forecasts on layers of Olson, was that 1959 would be a dampish year. Ott made his annual visit to the cellar at the stroke of midnight on New Year's Eve, sliced a Wisconsin onion, applied the salt, and decided that January would be medium. February wet, March medium, April wet, May medium, June dry, July wet, August, September and October dry, November and December medium.

A large elephant will consume between 100 and 125 pounds of hay daily, in addition to other foods.

United with oxygen, carbon dioxide as carbonic acid in the atmosphere,

Large Budget For Defence

Estimate This Year Expected To Reach High Figure

Canada's defence estimates this year will be the highest figure ever, and, when due provision is made for ordinary maintenance, the bulk of the remainder will be applied to the building of new military bases, according to information at Ottawa.

The air force estimates will reflect the protracted negotiations in progress since the close of the last year, when the Canadian government and the United Kingdom government, with regard to the training of flyers in Canada for the Royal Air Force.

Agreement is believed to have been reached on practically all the details.

This will mean an expansion of Canada's existing facilities with a corresponding increase in the new training command established within the last few months at Toronto. The principal flying school will be Camp Borden.

The British training will be carried out by the RCAF. In provincial units, and the whole scheme will be administered by the national defence department.

"Father, you is interred and cap'?"

"Well, my boy, if you was to pick up a shilling, and bite it, that could be interest; but if you was to bring it home and give it to me, that would be capital."

According to scientists, the average child should have three or four meals a day, even if food one causes children digest so much more rapidly than adults.

Anticipator, of Palestine, is thought to have made the selection of the "Seven Wonders of the World" above 200 B.C.

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Indian Doctor

Dr. Eastman, Full-Blooded Sioux, Once Lived in Western Canada

Dr. Charles A. Eastman, a white-skin Sioux Apache Indian, who was born in the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Indian Reservation in South Dakota, and who is a full-blooded Sioux, died recently in Detroit. He was one of the best-educated Indians on the continent, having received his medical degree from Boston college.

In the western United States, his early years were spent migrating with his people, with whom he learned the Indian ways of life, including the use of the bow and arrow, and the art of the hunt. He studied medicine with his tribe seeking virgin territory. After he returned from Canada, United States Indian department officials gave him the opportunity to study, and he adopted the name of Eastman.

He lectured and did Y.M.C.A. work in Canada and the United States. He bought an island home near St. Marie On. He died after a brief illness.

Developed Red Feather

Experiment With White Chickens

Robin Redbreast's feather colors were given to white leghorn chickens in an experiment recently reported in the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Dr. Mary E. Rawles of the University of Rochester took from robin eggs a bit of crimson feathers and added them to the hen's diet. She put it in with the hen's egg, placing it on a "bed" which develops into the hen's wing. The result when the chickens hatched was a white hen with white feathers, but a red comb and wattle, red beak, sharp claws and red feet. There was nothing suggestive of robins except these colors. After the first molt the robin colors disappeared, not to reappear again. She part of a part of these feathers on a greater scale than hitherto, the result would be a development of wider domestic markets for local agricultural produce and a step forward would be made in solving the twin agricultural and unemployment problems.

Effort To Reduce Accidents

Retinal Test Brakes Of Automobiles On Roads

As part of a campaign to reduce the number of automobile accidents, the Ontario motor patrols have been given to carry out tests for testing the brakes of automobiles on the road. In cases where they have reason to believe that a driver is not using his brakes properly, the patrols will conduct a test. If the "decelerometer" confirms the inadequacy of braking effect, the motorist will be notified to have the defects remedied.

Scholarships Offered

British Council Offers Scholarships

The British council, which funds depend on government grants, has announced it will provide scholarships annually for one year post-graduate scholarships in the United Kingdom to selected graduates from Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

How to get interested in life.

Observe and work.

HAVE YOU INDIGESTION, GAS?



Mr. Dan Davis, 1000 St. Paul Street, Ottawa, says "After a long day of work, you may feel tired and listless, and you may feel like you have indigestion and gas. But if you take a few BEE HIVE and it will feel right again." Ask your druggist for the BEE HIVE or tablets.

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Coming Close To Earth

Planet Mars Will Put On Astronaut Show In July

Mars is rushing rapidly toward the earth and will furnish some of the astronomical shows of the year. "Now 176,000,000 miles distant Mars is the closest it has been to us in 20,000 miles of the earth July 27," Dr. Frederick Seares, assistant director of the Carnegie Institution's Mt. Wilson observatory, said.

"It will then appear 50 times brighter than now."

Mars on July 23 will be directly opposite the sun from the earth. This happens only once in two years.

Despite its close approach, however, Mars will not outshine Venus in brightness. Venus is now at 41,900,000 miles from the earth, and will be the closer of the two until July 29.

Disruption of telegraph and telephone service and short wave radio failure are to be expected as a result of the sun spots and solar eruptions. The aurora borealis may be visible in many parts of the country at times. But the 11-year sun spot cycle has passed, and the magnetic storms of the earth will be less frequent than in the past two years.

Four eclipses, two of the moon and two of the sun, are on the calendar for the month of July.

Four more are to be seen next April 19 from far south as the Mexican border. The center of its path will cross the Aleutian Islands and Alaska.

CONFINED ABD BY LUMBAGO

In Pain for Weeks

Acting on the principles of "when you know a good thing, tell your friends about it," a man who has had many bad hangups, has written as follows:

"I suffered from lumbago, and for years I had to use a cane to get around. I had treatment, but it did not ease the pain very much. A friend said, 'Get a good strong man to help you every morning, and I am sure you will be all right again.'

"I followed his advice, and he helped me every morning for some time, and I am now pain free again."

He then turned to Kinesiotherapy.

"Why is it that lumbago, backache, and sciatica are so common? Many cases yield to Kinesiotherapy. Because it is a combination of several muscle groups that are causing bodily well-being. Each of these parts has an action of its own. Some are contracted, some are relaxed, all are balanced and toned up to a high state of efficiency."

Clothing From Wood

Says Northern Ontario Has Plenty

John Peter Heinen, a lumber interests of hands and forests, explained that plain that the use of suitable in manufacturing clothing were only in the experimental stage in Ontario.

The minister said that predicted clothing made from suitable wood pulp, would some day present northwestern Ontario with a valuable industry. He said it could possibly be the "biggest thing in northwestern Ontario in the near future."

He explained that in the United States 15,000,000 tons of sulphite waste paper are used in the manufacture of clothing, and he said no reason why Ontario should not find an outlet across the border for its huge wood supply as a large amount of sulphite waste paper is produced by a pulp and paper mill at Sault Ste. Marie.

Method: Cook potatoes in their skins in boiling salted water, until tender. Drain, cool, then cut into cubes and dice. Dice two slices bacon and bacon and cook until crisp and brown. Chop bacon and dice.

Whip cream stiff, fold in salt, cherries and flavouring; fold in bacon and dice, then pour into a mold and chill.

Decorate with leaves cut from paper, dried flowers and flower petals.

From slices of raw carrot.

Eight servings.

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Has Become Good Business

Amethysts Piled In Cliffs Around Scott's Bay, Nova Scotia

Winter frost means more than just cold weather in Scott's Bay, Nova Scotia. It may bring pocket money to tourists, hunters and spring. When the ice goes out, the tourists pick the purple-hued stones from the shore of amethyst quartz outcrop at the face of cliffs around the coast.

Cybernetics, Nova Scotia, has developed amethyst hunting as "catch-as-catch-can" business, but he said sales of amethysts to tourists have increased ten-fold in the last year, and he expects to double it in two years.

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The only billboards the summer tourists see as they drive through the hill country say "Amethysts For Sale." Scott's Bay, a junction of two rivers in northern Nova Scotia, has stones worth \$100,000 a year business to Nova Scotia.

Amethysts are found sandwiched between layers of rock, protruding from the rock, and the purple crystals are often broken, rounded and irregular. Some a plough turns them up. Often a farmer, bearing a well strikes an amethyst.

These beds are another source of the stones. The amethyst hunters strip off the covering clay and dynamite it from a rock, then search for the purple crystals in some secret place in the hills.

Amethysts which are turned into jewelry have to be sent to Europe to be cut and polished, and the jeweler cuts on this side of the Atlantic.

Like most gems, the amethyst is surrounded by superstition. It gets its name from a Greek word meaning "it will protect the wearer from evil." It was believed that when drunk from a cup of amethyst would not intoxicate. They are found many other parts of the world.

One of the chief sources is Uruguay.

SELECTED RECIPES

CHOCOLATE PARFAIT

1 cup whipping cream
1 cup sugar
1 tablespoon almond extract
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1 cup fresh red cherries, drained and chopped
1 cup chocolate
1 cup shortbread.

Whip cream stiff, add sugar and flavouring; fold in salt, cherries and chocolate. Pour into a mold and chill. Serve in sherbet glasses topped with whole cherries. Six portions.

ICED POTATO SALAD

3 cups potatoes (diced)
2 cups onions (diced)
1 small onion
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1/2 cup vinegar
1/2 cup oil
1/2 cup bacon

Method: Cook potatoes in their skins in boiling salted water, until tender. Drain, cool, then cut into cubes and dice. Dice two slices bacon and bacon and cook until crisp and brown. Chop bacon and dice, while bacon is cooking.

Mix mayonnaise with Jiffy mayonnaise to which has been added salt, pepper, vinegar, oil and bacon. Blend. Add onion which has been diced, salt, chopped celery, while bacon is cooking. Mix well. Add parsley. Moisten with Jiffy mayonnaise to which has been added salt, pepper, vinegar, oil and bacon. Over all, grate yolk of hard-cooked eggs. Decorate with leaves cut from paper, dried flowers and flower petals. Eight servings.

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ICE CREAM from a wintry window-sill!



HERE'S a delicious ice cream that you can make with no equipment less cost than a box of Jell-O. Ice Cream Powder in one quart of half milk, half cream. Place the bowl outside on your window-sill in the winter, stir occasionally. Jell-O Frost will taste great. And how the family will praise the rich, smooth, full-flavoured texture of this ice cream you have made yourself! Ask for some today at your grocer's. It comes in delicious flavours, chocolate, strawberry, vanilla, lemon.

A Lonesome Job

Seeking A Wife For The Island Of Man

The National Trust are seeking a warden for the Calf of Man, an island property some five miles in circumference, and separated from the Isle of Man by a channel of water.

Though the channel is narrow a strong tide runs, and may in rough weather cut off all communication for days. The island is 100 feet high, rising to 400 feet in places, the island has a well built farmhouse and some 60 acres of farmland and further rough grazing.

Lightning strike or one of the two lighthouses or one of the two lighthouses which have been built to a distance of 100 feet from the island.

The problem is to find someone who is prepared to make the island his home to run the farm for his own needs and those of the property, to watch the birds and plant life, and to collect the birds and plant life.

On that island sanctuary murins, ring-necked pheasants, ring-necked pheasants, kittiwakes, puffins, razorbills, and some 70 other species may be observed—London Times.

Valuable Antique Stolen

Precious Medallion Missing From Stockholm

Sweden's most precious antique the jewelled medallion known as the Vadsätra Braktea, has vanished. Presumably it has been stolen from the Royal Mint, Stockholm, by a burglar.

Reported to have been stolen from the Royal Mint, Stockholm, on June 10, the Vadsätra Braktea is a gold-orange medallion, 15 mm. in diameter, weighing 15.5 gm. It was discovered buried in the earth at Vadsätra in 1587.

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"To God in His glory... We two nations shall live and not take up arms against one another."

This is the inscription on the tablet of the Peace Cairn which stands on the international boundary between the United States and Canada in the International Peace Garden in the border town of Bismarck, North Dakota and Manitoba.

The cairn which was unveiled in 1932 in the presence of 50,000 people at the dedication of the Peace Territory is one of the many tokens in the cause of peace between the peoples of the United States and Canada.

Long before the advent of the white man, the Indians named the Turtle Mountain region "The Land of the Scrambling Turtles." In a sense the Turtles are not mountaineers but a series of overhanging hills which rise to an elevation of about 2,500 feet above sea level, or 1,000 feet above the adjacent undulating area of fertile soil, luxuriant woods, and shimmering lakes which stretch from the North Dakota line to 1,200 acres in Manitoba 130 miles south from Manitoba's Riding Mountain National Park.

Since its dedication six years ago, this territory, which is now a great draw, now known as the International Peace Garden, is progressing slowly but surely towards the ideals of the founders with drives, paths, trails, and buildings erected in consonance with the natural beauty of the vicinity. In the near future the building of the Peace Tower and other important features will be undertaken.

For past ten years, substantial progress has marked the efforts of the directors of the garden on both the northern and southern territories, taking the mythical boundaries of the boundary as the line of demarcation. In the southern United States portion important accomplishments continue.

The room and bridge is complete, as well as a number of tourist cabins and picnic shelters. The amphitheatre for meetings has been extended.

On the northern Manitoba side, the work has been done by the Department of Public Works of Manitoba Province, as approved by the directors of the garden and with officers of the Dominion Experimental Station at Morden, Manitoba, as consultants.

The winding driveway through woodlands of birch, poplar, elm, and ash, has been graded, graded, graded, and joined to the main drive along the formal area.

The driveway trail is between three and four miles long, winding down through woods, alder, willow, dogwood, and vine-covered walls, sloping up and up hillsides of rare natural beauty. On the western side the trail crosses an earthen dam which backs up a 20 foot deep lake which will be used for irrigation of the formal gardens, and further along the drive are numerous other lakes.

The master plan of the formal gardens has been accepted by the two governments, a plan has been cleared preparatory for tree and shrub planting. Around the cairn there are great walls of a drain and a drain in the rear, and for planting in early spring, so that the first effort at permanent planting and garden display commences in 1938.

New Farm Policies

Agricultural Problems Which Are In Need Of Solution

Farmers of Canada are facing new laws which require new agricultural policies. Mr. H. H. Hannam, secretary of United Farm Workers, told delegates attending the 60th annual meeting of the Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union at Galt.

He defended the federal government's policy of fixing the minimum price of western wheat at 80 cents a bushel, although, he said, it could be regarded not as an emergency measure, and was of no value as a long-term policy.

Visit To London

English people are giving widespread support to the proposed new President Roosevelt and Mrs. Roosevelt reply to the King and Queen late spring visit to Washington by making a trip to London. John Major, editor of *Country Life*, an English news magazine, said in an interview:

A scientist has recorded visibly the trills and chirps of crickets, in order to study their music.

California has flown the flag of 12 nations since 1942.

Job Is Short-Lived

At Latest Airplane Pilots Are

It is time to be a pilot, the world-wide remains of the old notion that airplane pilots are reckless fellows without a care for their lives or a thought of tomorrow. They are beginning to do for a living, although they still do for a living when they are too old to fly, writes Richard T. F. Hardin in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Age usually sets a pilot down in his early 30's, at the most. It takes him at the end of life, when most men in professions and business are only beginning to come into their full earning powers and when, because of age, they have no other reason, they need more.

In its early days commercial

aviation in the United States was so far from it that it created ground jobs which now are not available.

Age is still a factor.

CANADA PLANS TO ENLARGE HER DEFENCE FORCES

Ottawa.—Further expansion of Canadian defence forces is to guard against continued threats to world peace and establishment of a defence purchasing board were forecast in the speech from the throne as major projects for the present session of parliament.

"Legislation will be introduced to establish a defence purchasing board with power to purchase arms and equipment for the defence services and to ensure that, where private manufacture is necessary, profits in connection with such care and fair treatment of the public service is protected," the speech said.

The Canadian Press learned last week the government contemplates a board of three or four members chosen outside the national defence department and perhaps outside the government entirely, to be a sort of wide commercial experience will be sought for the board and, if possible, two or three members will have special knowledge in the business of manufacturing armaments.

Particular emphasis will be laid on air defence, the speech said, in forecasting continued pursuit of the present policy of modernizing and expanding the defence forces.

It is believed almost all the new appropriations for defence will be devoted to the air force and the present total of roughly 2,000 officers and men will be increased with additional equipment, including new and fast planes, will be purchased.

It is also likely that the defence estimates will provide for an expansion of naval forces by the buying in Canada of flying boats for the Royal Air Force, negotiations with regard to which are understood to be approaching completion.

In the meantime, after the colonial opening ceremonies, there was a brief but interesting session when four new members were introduced, including Hon. R. J. Manion, successor to Hon. H. C. Bennett as Conservative chieftain and leader of the official opposition.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King crossed the floor to the chance to congratulate the new leaders as he took his seat and a little later paid Dr. Manion a warm tribute in welcoming him to the house as leader of the official opposition.

In reality, Dr. Manion referred to the happy personal relations that had always existed between him and members of the house of all parties.

On the other hand, the four men introduced in order of their election which would have given first place to Peter Berovitch, Liberal member for Montreal-Côte-des-Neiges. Out of courtesy, the leader, Dr. Manion was given precedence with the ready approval of the others.

J. E. Matthews (Lib., Brandon) and Kari Koutou (Cons., Waterloo South) were the other three of the quartet of new members introduced to Mr. Speaker and seated.

President of Seed Growers

George Avery, Keho, Re-Elected Head of Saskatchewan Branch

Saskatoon.—George Avery, prominent farmer of Keho, was re-elected president of the Saskatchewan branch, Canadian Seed Growers Association, at the annual convention of the branch, held at the University of Saskatchewan.

Other officers elected were James Hug, president vice-president, and Thomas Teare of Marquis, W. J. Saunders of Marshall and Dr. J. B. Harrington of the University of Saskatchewan, directors.

Loan Quickly Taken Up

Canadian National Railways Bond Issue Was In Two Millions

Ottawa.—The Canadian National Railways bond issue was subscribed for five minutes after the books were opened, the Bank of Canada announced on Friday, and Dr. Charles Dunning, minister of finance.

The new issue was in two maturities bearing interest at 2½ and 3 per cent, and was in seven and 20-year series. It was unconditionally guaranteed, both as to principal and interest.

Advocates Advertising Campaign

Winnipeg.—A vigorous advertising campaign for wider distribution of fruits and vegetables was urged by delegates to the convention of the Canadian Fruit Wholesalers' Association. A committee was appointed to study the question of a co-operative advertising campaign.

Criticizes United States

Rhys Davis Talks Bluntly On Visit To New York

Winnipeg.—"We are not 'weakly' in their attitude toward British foreign policy," Rhys J. Davis, visiting member of parliament, said. "Explaining he meant 'lipped,' or 'weakly,' Mr. Davis defended Prime Minister Chamberlain's peacekeeping program although he is a member of the opposition Labor party. He chided citizens of the United States who think Britain 'must always be the police force of the world whenever minorities suffer anywhere.'

"The old gag is particularly true," he said. "Americans would fight Germany, the last Englishman he continued.

"Green Britain we welcome the radio addresses of President Roosevelt. We are not 'weakly' in our demands, but we would feel much more assured if your president gave some indication America will be with us the first day of the war, when we fully decide to stand against the dictators. That is the most we want, which will be the air raid, will not last longer than three months."

Why did America expect us to stand by, to fight the Nazis, he asked? Slovakia? We have no treaties with Czechoslovakia, yet the Americans smoking their wonderful cheap cigars, still complain because our young men did not bathe on the plains of central Europe."

Farmers Problems

Production And Other Questions Are Being Solved, Says Major Strange

Saskatoon.—"As far as I can see, so far western Canada," said Major H. G. Strange, prominent Canadian wheat expert, in an address here to more than 400 persons attending the annual banquet of the Saskatchewan Field Husbandry Association.

Everything in western Canada depended on agriculture, and, in turn, depended on the market. The market of mainly upon wheat, the speaker ascertained. The problem of production of wheat was being solved, and the problem of market was also.

The most serious problem was that of wheat production and before Canada had the one of selling enough wheat to maintain 24 million acres per year in production.

Major Strange repeated statements that the Canadian government, in respect to the market, had to be more lenient to tariff barriers of the democratic countries. These must be lowered to permit the import of foreign goods and in turn allow the sale of Canadian wheat in foreign countries.

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Jews Are Blamed

Shots Are Fired At German Legion In Holland

Berlin.—Long-distance shots reported to have been fired at a German consular official's private home and at the German Legion in Holland caused an outburst of fury in German papers which unani-

mously assumed the culprit must be Jewish.

Parallels were drawn from the murder of Ernst Von Rath, legation secretary in Paris, by the 17-year-old Polish Jew, Herschel Grynszpan Nov. 7. The Netherlands government also added its voice to the assumption that Jewishness was not further abused.

The present incident here and the one in Paris were both at a German consulate's private home in Amsterdam Jan. 8 and at the work room of a secretary of the German legation in The Hague Jan. 9.

An Amsterdam dispatch said the German minister had called attention of the Netherlands foreign minister to the incident, and an investigation has been opened.

A propaganda ministry spokesman said it was possible further steps might follow the German envoy's representations to the Dutch authori-

Export Of Munitions

Ottawa.—Value of arms, ammunition, implements or munitions of war exported under 17 per cent in December totalled \$126,198, the national revenue department announced. Principal shipments consisted of aircraft parts, \$47,600 worth being exported to the United Kingdom.

Placing The Blame

Winnipeg.—Much of the blame for the present financial crisis in Canada with which the country is recovering being placed directly on the industrial items, according to F. W. Nicholls, Ottawa, director of housing, department of

Seek Aid For Refugees

Jewish Youth Establish Colony In R.C. Or Alberta

Winnipeg.—The Canadian government has considered the advisability of establishing a Jewish colony on a tract of land in British Columbia or the Peace River district of northern Alberta.

Further, the group hoped to eventually add in absorbing Jewish refugees from Nazi Germany.

A resolution was passed favorably by the Canadian Jewish Congress which meets in Toronto, Ont., Jan. 21, asking for aid in the back-to-the-land movement.

DOMINATION OF MEDITERRANEAN IS WAR THREAT

London.—The reported opinion of United States Ambassadors Kennedy and Bullitt that European development of the war was most important, will be with us the first day of the war, when we fully decide to stand against the dictators. That is the most we want, which will be the air raid, will not last longer than three months.

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(Kennedy and Bullitt are reported to have a joint session of the house of representatives and senate military committee to discuss the European situation against France.

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The talks were regarded as a crucial test of Mr. Chamberlain's "peace at any price" policy. The British and French delegations had concluded the parley was to develop a serious development in its relation to British foreign policy.

It was thought that the statement particularly affected Britain's future standing because of its impact on Mr. Chamberlain's appeasement program. They pointed out that the Munich statement "peace at any price" was the guiding principle to date of Roosevelt's rearmament program.

It was also believed that Chamberlain's "no more Munich" attitude was to a large extent responsible for the shift towards a more militant stand of dealing with the totalitarian states and that the future standing of the Commonwealth also.

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Dr. H. Palmer Schatz, German Ambassador, who came on a visit to the British capital is reported to have informed the British Government that nations must buy German goods equivalent to any funds given Jewish refugees.

A Stronger Attitude

Look For New Phase In Dealing With The Dictators

Rome.—Informed sources expressed the belief that deadlock in negotiations between Chamberlain and Premier Mussolini might result in a stiffer attitude in future dealings with dictators and perhaps a new situation in the European tension.

Informal British sources said Premier Chamberlain would be asked to join a session of the house of representatives and senate military committee to discuss the European situation against France.

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The talks were regarded as a crucial test of Mr. Chamberlain's "peace at any price" policy. The British and French delegations had concluded the parley was to develop a serious development in its relation to British foreign policy.

It was thought that the statement particularly affected Britain's future standing because of its impact on Mr. Chamberlain's appeasement program. They pointed out that the Munich statement "peace at any price" was the guiding principle to date of Roosevelt's rearmament program.

It was also believed that Chamberlain's "no more Munich" attitude was to a large extent responsible for the shift towards a more militant stand of dealing with the totalitarian states and that the future standing of the Commonwealth also.

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Farm Rehabilitation

Provisions Will Soon Need Watering, Opinion of John Vallance.

Saskatoon.—Permanent government departments devoted to farm rehabilitation were foreseen by John Vallance, director of water conservation, in a bill introduced in the Rehabilitation Act, in an address to graduates of the University of Saskatchewan, college of agriculture.

After outlining the work of the past year, since it was started in 1933, Mr. Vallance predicted that before long its provisions would widen to include not only farms in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, but also Ontario and the mentioned Ontario especially as a province which before long would feel the need of rehabilitation among its farms and farmers.

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Because of the attitude of several nations, it may be necessary to forego a world parley and rely on a system of export quotas for a international agreement.

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"Under present market prices," Mr. Massey said, "the minimum represents about 20 cents a bushel basis. The small farmers need a bonus on their crop and farmers in say 6,000 bushels or more wheat should not be entitled to the bonus on his entire crop, as it appears to me he does not need it. I am not in favour of a minimum export quota, but we will have to bind ourselves by some rule."

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CALL CONFERENCE TO CONSIDER THE WHEAT SITUATION

London.—The international wheat advisory committee, attempting to solve the world problem of huge surpluses and low prices, agreed to call a world conference to consider the wheat situation.

Such a meeting, the first since 1933, will be subject to general acceptance of agenda. A sub-committee, representing Canada, the United States, Great Britain and Argentina, was appointed to work out details of that problem.

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Pot Against King Carol

Editorial Was Evidently Due To Pro-Russian Backing

London.—The Daily Telegraph reported an abortive plot by members of the outlawed Fascist Guard organization to assassinate King Carol of Rumania.

The plot apparently failed when the plotter, a member of the Guard, was captured by the royal palace, but that the plot apparently failed because of a premature bomb explosion. The ring-leaders of the plot were said to have been arrested.

Looking For Speed Record

London.—The British are looking for an attempt, probably in March, to break the world speed record of 140.68 miles an hour held by Italy. One plane, developed by the air ministry, is an improvement on the record holder, the Spitfire monoplane. Both models are expected to be better than 150 miles an hour.

Alberta Cattle Industry.

Winnipeg.—The Alberta cattle industry is satisfied with the recent trade treaties negotiated between Canada and the United States. Senator Daniel E. Ryley, High River, Alta., said he had been en route to Ottawa to attend the session of parliament.



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Packing Radium

More Than Half Of The World's Supply Comes From Great Slave Lake

More than half the world's annual production of radium passes through the laboratories of the National Research Council on its way to market—but no one gets very excited about it.

Measuring hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of the powerful mineral is one of the many jobs assigned as caseworkers by the council's experts. Each month 3,000 or 4,000 milligrams of radium (worth about \$25 a milligram) are shipped in a couple of unimpressive little boxes containing only a few small tablets, electrometers and instruments.

More than half the radium comes from the Belgian Congo. The pitchblende mined at Eldorado is refined at Port Hope, Ontario, to extract the radium, which is sent to Ottawa for testing and measuring.

The radium comes to the council laboratories in the form of a dark gray powder contained in tiny glass tubes. These are packed in lead blocks for shipment. The council's job is to determine whether the pitchblende powder is really radium and how much of it.

In a small tube of the powder is placed before an electrometer by which ionization of the radium caused by rays from the radium is measured. Indicating the quantity of radium present, this indicates the breaking down of atoms in the air into positive and negative ions. The flow of these ions in an electric field indicates the strength of the rays which do the ionizing.

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These are all mere technicalities to the uninterested, usually by the National Research Council laboratories and occasionally by the United States Bureau of Standards or national laboratories in other countries—Ottawa Journal.

Giant Palm

Believed To Be The Oldest Living Tree In The Eastern Hemisphere

The oldest tree living on earth, a giant palm which is believed to be 15,000 years old, has just been replanted by 200 botany students of the University of Cleveland.

The tree was uprooted by vandals recently.

Known as "Grandfather Peter," its age was verified in 1912 by Prof. Chamberlain, of Chicago, the world authority on the tree. The tree, which is 100 feet high, was replanted. It is called "He" was surprised to find the largest and oldest living specimens in the world growing in their wild and natural state on the Taurus mountain in Greece.

The professor estimated that "Grandfather Peter," the largest of the trees was 15,000 years old. It stands 20 feet high and others in the group varied in age from 3,000 to 8,000 years. These palms—they are not strictly speaking trees, are across from a fern and palm—growing exceedingly slowly. The leaves are six to ten feet long, fifteen inches wide, rigid, and beautifully green and glossy. The palm bears a huge seed cone not unlike a pineapple, and one was found to weigh 50 pounds.

The seeds from it were all planted, and to a very small plant of the Macromia palm can be found in each of the 151 national parks in the United States.

It is hoped that "Grandfather Peter" will survive the attack of the vandals and the transplanting.

"Could you help a poor man who has just come out of prison?"

"You should be ashamed to own it."

"I didn't own it, man. I was only a lodger."

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Many German trading companies are opening Manchukuo branches.

Staging A Comeback

Photograph Has Been Improved And Sales Are Increasing

Photograph has come back. Since 1925, says the *Advertiser* *Evening Herald*, the sale of records has gone up 500 per cent. The very radio which once chased the old household entertainers into the attic is now bringing in a new and more efficient phonograph as its front door, so comments the *Watertown, N.Y., Times*.

Undoubtedly the establishment of the radio where good music could be had without the purchase of records had convinced many that the phonograph had gone to its long home. But the absence has been more than made up by the radio which has perfected the phonograph, so benefiting from the same improvements. Simultaneously there have gone up more careful recordings for the phonograph. Electrical records were substituted which did away with the old hand wind. More expensive machines even the records were made self-charging.

The equipment which today returns to the household is easy to operate, agreeable to listen to, and pleasing to behold. Competition has become in this instance not an enemy, but a benefactor.

Menaces On The Highway

Old Cars Should Pass Inspection Before Being Allocated On The Roads

Even though the motorist may have a mechanical examination before they are allowed on the road, or their owners should be able to guarantee financial responsibility. In making this suggestion, Magistrate Hinde is absolutely correct.

One has only to examine the case which elicited the magistrate's observation to appreciate the justice of his suggestion. The man in question had a very neat car, was in an accident involving three automobiles, injuring eight people, one of whom had to have a leg amputated. The car in question was a 1927 model.

The man in question, in respect to such cases is hopelessly inadequate. No punishment imposed on the driver of such a car can make up for the damage he may cause to property or persons.

It is the duty of the authorities, the driver of an ancient vehicle—or any other car—to assure authorities it is in sound running condition, and also to guarantee financial responsibility in case of accident. Sooner or later, public opinion will demand such legislation, and the sooner the better—Winnipeg Star.

Idea Proved Profitable

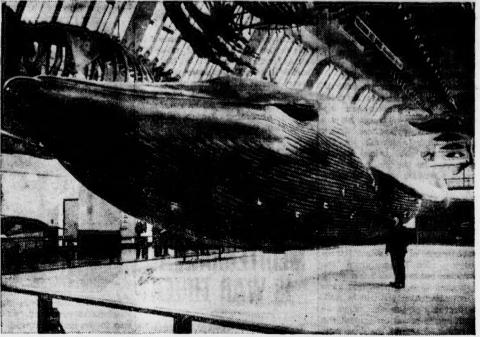
Pastor's Plan Of Plate Passing In Reverse Worked

Rev. Grant Robinson counted a profit of \$477 from his "plate-passing in reverse" experiment and commented "my faith in human nature has been fully justified."

Pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church in Walla, N.Y., in October, 1928, the collection plan was Oct. 30 to each member of the congregation and urged each to take a dollar bill, invest it and return it and the profit to the church treasury.

The members took \$12,000 and invested it in the stock market, which paid off \$477, which Mr. Robinson was making money and many songs on plates have been tagged at the sanctuary, and they have returned to the same place to next time and again, he said.

REMARKABLE LIFE SIZE MODEL OF WHALE IN THE BRITISH MUSEUM



This picture was taken in the Natural History Section of the British Museum in London and shows the model of the Blue Whale. Features of interest are the great size of the head, nearly a fifth of the total body length; the eyes just behind the angle of the mouth, and the very small ear opening a little distance behind the eye.

Unaccustomed Instinct

Birds Have Learned To Keep To Safety In Game Preserve

By H. J. Miller

Proof of the marvelous instinct of direction possessed by birds is found at the Jack Miner sanctuary, which though little more than a needle-point on the map of the United States, yet this fall has drawn other birds to it.

The statistician merely records the facts about Australian flying, but comparison with the figures published in other countries shows that only the United States is in the lead.

Creation is in the lead in the creatures, especially marshes, in this uncanny talent which enables feathered creatures to find their way to the sanctuary year after year.

It is far north as Hudson's Bay and even into the Arctic Circle, and on their southern flight get down to the Louisiana marshes and the Gulf of Mexico.

Miner points out that if a man were dropped at the North Pole with a compass, but with proper clothing and food, he would stand little chance of finding his way back to his birthplace in the civilized world.

"Man depends on an instrument known as a compass, while the birds depend on the sun and the God-given knowledge of the stars," Mr. Miner said. Robins, mountain doves and many song sparrows have been tagged at the sanctuary, and they have returned to the same place to next time and again, he said.

The Premier Of France

The French Premier, M. Daladier, is one of the mildest of men, having been a daring, bold, and courageous leader.

He is the son of a baker, and his family were established in a small bakery. While his sister ran the bakery for him, M. Daladier attained eminence. The sister still keeps house for her widowed brother.

Husband—You only married me because you thought I had a little money.

Wife—That's unfair. I'd have married you just the same if you had lots.

Father (to daughter's suitor): "My daughter shall never marry a fool!"

Wife—Ah, you don't want her to make the same mistake as her mother did."

Gentleman (to newsboy): "Don't be so cold, boy."

Boy—"Oh, my sir, selling papers keeps up the circulation."

Flying In Australia

People Are Taking Readily To This Method Of Travel

By H. J. Miller

Figures show that the first aviators have taken readily to flying, and that the Commonwealth's sensational advance in flying has made it the fifth largest in the world in the number of passengers.

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Touch Of A Musician

English Musical Circles Disagree With American Of Scientist

Science

Science has been a circle smattered under the crushing action of Sir James Jeans that so far as a single piano note is concerned it makes no difference whether the key string is a piano or an umbrella or the string of a pedometer.

The famous scientist did nothing but the harmonious wedding of arts and science in an address, "A Scientist Looks at Music," before the English Music Teachers' Association.

Sir James assailed the prevalent belief a talented pianist can put all the skill and knowledge he wishes into a note the manner in which he struck the key.

American scientists, he argued, through photographs of sound waves produced by leading pianists, learned could exactly match these waves by dropping weights on the key-board.

"The moral for the piano teacher," said Sir James, "is that tone quality, not what paper the pianist strikes the key, so long as he strikes it with the requisite degree of force.

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Hugh P. Miller, a member of Richardson's, Cal., believes he is the pioneer in a new field of necessities for the future farmers and ranchers of the United States. He has installed a hangar for his airplane which he regards as an essential part of any farm or ranch.

There is every indication of very large increase in the volume of lending activity during 1933," Mr. Dunning. "It is apparent the act is producing the results we had hoped for. During the last four months of 1932 new loans appeared aggregated \$5,191,000, although they were unfavorable building months."

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Spottings seem familiar. Do you hear of any new spots?"

"Borrow? why, I feel more at home in their houses than I do in my own."

In The Right Hands

Wealth As Lord Nuffield Uses It Is Blessing To Mankind

Lord Nuffield takes such a comfortably sane view of wealth that he must be a delightful man for income tax assessors to handle. After all, as he says, "I only eat one meal a day and wear only one suit at a time and eat only one meal at a sitting. His lordship, however, may be reminded—*never* repeating the words as he said after-dinner—that the man of means has this double advantage over the man without means—he may have quite as good a suit in reserve for high days and holy days, and is in no way embarrassed if he has to eat a square meal and entirely to his liking. Few of us are able to appreciate the virtue of poverty; those who do are not likely to live it least of all, and it has often been observed that the nice people who command its refining qualities have, in most cases, taken particular care to store it at a distance. This would be a wise course for any charitable pursuit for either saints or sinners. There is a happy mean to which most of us are able to subscribe. Burns expresses this in his famous lines:—

"No' for to idle it a bank,
Or for a train attendant,
Or for the glorious privilege
Of being a king."

This philosophy, however, does not blind us to the fact that superabundance is not the right thing to do in an insatiable blighting to mankind. Lord Nuffield is himself a shining example of this truth. He is not the greedy lord of a rich vineyard, but the steward of a modest land, one in whom a great trust has been committed, and whose aim in life is to discharge the duties of his trusteeship faithfully and wisely for the benefit of the public. He is a true example of that principle that unites all real "giving", from the widow's mite to the millionaire's tens of thousands—*Bon Accord*, Aberdeen, Scotland.

No Official Record

As To Whether Raleigh Or Hawkins Introduced Tobacco Into England

It is curious that—considering the adventurous life of Sir Walter Raleigh, his part as a soldier and sailor in making Tudor England great, his fame as a gallant who won Queen Elizabeth's heart, and his distinction as a writer, only within the past few days has a statue to his memory been erected in London. Yet it is for nothing that it has been done.

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CANADIAN COW SETS NEW RECORD FOR MILK AND BUTTER FAT



Breed: Holstein. Owner: Johanna Changling, owned by Douglas Hart of Woodstock, Ontario, has broken both the Canadian and American 365-day records for milk and butter fat production by a considerable margin. Her 365-day record completed at seven years of age on twice-a-day milking, is 24,229 lbs. of milk, 988 lbs. of fat with average butter fat of 3.58%. She also completed a 365-day record during this lactation of 27,009 lbs. of milk and 971 lbs. of fat with average test of 3.6%.

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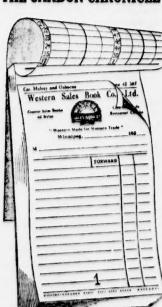
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tertaining the prospect of matrimony,
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is—will it go?—Ottawa Journal.

Stubbie—Did I hear any difference
between a fort and a fortress?

Jaws—Should think a fortress
is hard to silence.

"Has anyone called for me?"
—Yes, a lady came, but she didn't
give her name.

"Was she young and pretty?"
—Oh, no; she was more like you."

Preacher: "Do you always say your
prayers at night, little boy?"
—Yes, I do.

Preacher: "And do you always say
them in the morning, too?"

Jimmy: "No, sir. I ain't scared in
the daytime."

"Are you married?"
—No, I got this black eye from a
friend.

He: "Does your lipstick come off
easily?"

She: "No. I always put a strug-
gle on it."

Lawyer (to woman juror): "Would
you convict a man on circumstantial
evidence?"

Woman: "Certainly; I've convicted
my husband that way many a time."

"He's a musical sort of fish, isn't
he?"

"Yes, he's a piano tune."

Bastus: "First, a quarter ab hor-
reved from you last year."

Sambor: "Yuh doon keep' it so long
dat ab don't know if it's wuff while
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